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### ***Davis Awards \$450,000 Grant to Dillsboro for Wastewater Treatment Project***

INDIANAPOLIS—Lt. Gov. Kathy Davis today awarded a \$450,000 Community Focus Fund grant to the town of Dillsboro in Dearborn County for a sewage treatment improvement project.

The town of Dillsboro has proposed a wastewater treatment improvement project to meet community needs. The town currently utilizes a 6-inch force main that has inadequate flow capacity to meet the town's demands. The proposal includes a new lift station, new 10-inch force main and a bio-mechanical treatment plan. The 10-inch force main will give the town the increased capacity necessary to serve the town. The new treatment plant will offer increased treatment quality and capacity and is slated to be built on land the town already owns.

"The town of Dillsboro will implement a new wastewater treatment plant to better serve its citizens while simultaneously protecting our environment," said Davis, who serves as the director of the Indiana Department of Commerce. "This project will positively affect the residents and their communities."

Additional amenities of the treatment facility plan include an oxidation ditch process, ultra-violet disinfection of wastewater and a videographic recorder to monitor and chart daily flows. The community will also set aside funds for maintenance and repairs to the new sewer system.

The Community Focus Fund (CFF) is a federally funded grant program administered by the Indiana Department of Commerce. The funding is available to small cities, towns and counties for construction projects designed to benefit low- to moderate-income individuals or to eliminate blight in communities. Grants are awarded through competitive funding rounds to assist small communities in long-term development projects.

Projects eligible for CFF grants include local infrastructure improvements, childcare facilities, senior and community centers, downtown revitalization and fire stations and fire trucks. Up to \$500,000 is available per applicant. A match of at least 10 percent is required from the grant recipient.

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In this, the second round of funding for 2004, 37 Hoosier communities shared in nearly \$15 million in funding.

For more information about the CFF grant program, contact the Office of Community Assistance in the Community Development Division of the Indiana Department of Commerce at 800.824.2476 or access its Web site at [www.indianacommerce.com](http://www.indianacommerce.com).

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